



General Assembly

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Raised Bill No. 5478

LCO No. 1738

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Referred to Committee on Public Health

Introduced by:
(PH)

***AN ACT CONCERNING THE POTENTIAL RENAMING OF THE
DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL RETARDATION.***

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- 1 Section 1. (*Effective from passage*) The Commissioner of Mental
2 Retardation shall, within available appropriations, solicit input from
3 clients and families receiving services provided by the department,
4 advocates of persons with mental retardation and other interested
5 parties, regarding a name change for the Department of Mental
6 Retardation and shall submit a report of the commissioner's findings
7 and recommendations to the Governor, the Office of Policy and
8 Management and the joint standing committee of the General
9 Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to public health, not
10 later than January 1, 2007, in accordance with the provisions of section
11 11-4a of the general statutes.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:

Section 1	<i>from passage</i>	New section
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Statement of Purpose:

To require the Department of Mental Retardation to issue findings and recommendations about whether to rename the department.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]